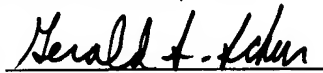


Applicants point out that claim 1 recites a food product mix kit of at least one of a first food product having a defined shape and a second food product in dried powder form intended to be reconstituted with a liquid, the mix kit intended to be stored without refrigeration and the second food product intended to be utilized with the first food product after being reconstituted with liquid. Likewise, claim 7 recites a food product in dried powder form intended to be reconstituted with liquid, intended to be packaged with a second food product having a defined shape, to be stored therewith without refrigeration, and intended to be utilized with the second food product after being reconstituted with liquid. Thus, both claims recite a food product and package kit with one food product in dry powder form intended to be reconstituted with liquid, intended to be packaged and utilized with a second food product having a defined shape, and intended to be stored without refrigeration. Claims 7-17 further define the food product in dried powder form.

In view of both groups of claims reciting and claiming a food product mix or kit of the two food products in identical terms, it is submitted that only a single is claimed, and that withdrawal of the requirement is respectfully requested.

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